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Charleston Harbor and Approaches

(NOAA Chart 11521)

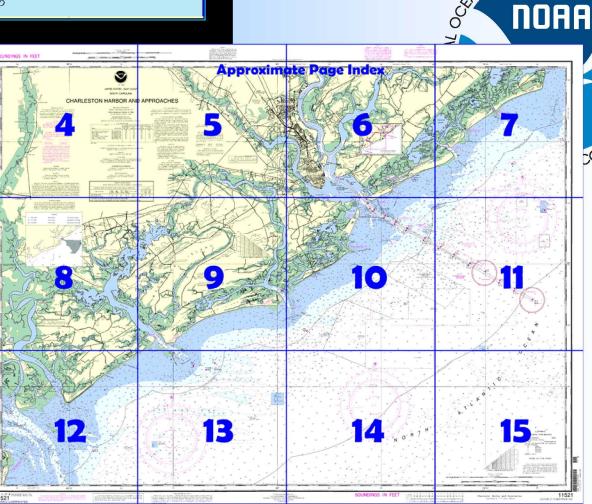


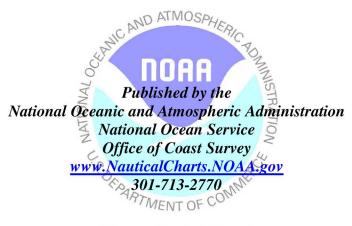
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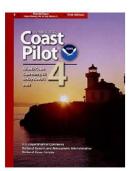
This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

Whenever possible, use the official, full scale NOAA nautical chart for navigation. Nautical chart sales agents are listed on the Internet at http://www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov.

This BookletChart does NOT fulfill chart carriage requirements for regulated commercial vessels under Titles 33 and 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Notice to Mariners Correction Status

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.



[Coast Pilot 4, Chapter 7 excerpts]
(11) Lighthouse Inlet (32°41.2'N.,
79°53.0'W.), between Morris Island and
Folly Island has no channel across the bar;
entrance should be attempted only with local
knowledge on a rising tide with a smooth sea.
The depth over the bar and to Secessionville
was 3 feet; the inlet is unmarked and used by
local fishermen. Small craft pass into
Charleston Harbor by way of Lighthouse
Creek and into sloughs north of Folly Island.

(12) Stono Inlet is entered over a shifting bar

between Folly Island and **Kiawah Island.** A lighted gong buoy is south of the entrance. The inlet is subject to continual change and should not be attempted without local knowledge. The entrance buoys are not charted, because they are shifted in position to mark the best water.

(14) **Stono River** in its upper reach above **Elliott Cut** forms part of the Intracoastal Waterway. The depth inside the inlet bar for 12 miles to the

highway bridge was 11 feet, thence 7 feet to Elliott Cut. Vessels enter the river by way of the waterway from Charleston. In the summer, pleasure craft use Stono River and Folly River to reach Folly Beach. The bridge a mile below Elliott Cut has a clearance of 8 feet.

(15) Marinas on the west side of Stono River at the highway bridge provide berths with electricity, gasoline, diesel fuel, water, ice, marine supplies, pump-out station and wet storage.

(16) Folly River flows into Stono Inlet and Kiawah River. Folly River is used to reach Folly Beach. A channel, marked by lighted and unlighted buoys, leads from the junction with Stono River at Bird Key. The depth was 8.5 feet in the south half and 3.9 feet in the north half of the channel to Buoy 13; thence 1 foot to the end of the project. The channel between Buoys 7 to 15 is subject to continual change. Local knowledge is advised. On the southeast side of the river 2 miles above the entrance, a seafood plant has diesel fuel, water, ice, and marine supplies. Route 171 bridge 3.1 miles above the entrance has a clearance of 10 feet. Folly Creek enters Folly River from the north 2.7 miles above the mouth. Route 171 bridge about 2.9 miles above the creek mouth has a clearance of 10 feet. (17) North Edisto River. Shoals extend offshore from the entrance 3 miles and form a shifting bar. Flats, which bare at low water and are continually changing, are on both sides of the entrance; caution is advised. The depth over the bar was 10 feet. The entrance is marked by a lighted whistle buoy, and the channel by a 314° lighted range and by buoys which are moved to indicate the best water. The entrance is defined by breakers.

(18) Wadmalaw River and Dawho River are part of the Intracoastal Waterway. Bohicket Creek entrance is 2.5 miles above the entrance to North Edisto River. Rockville has piers and wharves with 5 to 11 feet of water alongside at which fresh water can be obtained. A marina at Rockville has berths with electricity and 16 feet alongside; gasoline, diesel fuel, water, ice, marine supplies. The depth was 9 feet to Rockville. Adams Creek has shrimp-boat piers and wharves with depths of 6 to 9 feet alongside. A marina, 3.3 miles above the mouth of Bohicket Creek, has various services and a reported of 6 feet. Steamboat Creek entrance marked by a light and daybeacons.

(19) **North Edisto River entrance**. The flood current sets westward, and the ebb eastward; both have considerable velocity. Inside the bar, in the channel between the breakers, the ebb current is to be guarded against. (20) The entrance to **St. Helena Sound** between **Bay Point** and **Hunting Island**. There are channels through the shoals that extend 6 miles seaward from the sound entrance. The buoyed channel had a depth of 15 feet; caution is advised. A survey revealed depths of 1 foot to 14 feet less than those charted across the entrance to **St.** Helena Sound.

(24) **South Edisto River**. The approach is marked by buoys. **Big Bay Creek** is unmarked and empties into the South Edisto River just above Bay Point. It has been reported that small craft have run aground at night when making Big Bay Creek from the north using the lights on **Edisto Beach** as guides; caution is advised.

(25) Edisto Beach State Park. A marked channel into South Edisto River has depths of 12 to 16 feet over the ocean bar.

(27) The Intracoastal Waterway leads through South Edisto River from at **Fenwick Cut** and **Watts Cut**. This section is marked with Intracoastal Waterway markings. The depth from Bay Point to Fenwick Cut was 10 feet, and from Watts Cut to **Willtown Bluff** 10 feet.

(29) A draft of 3 feet can be taken above Willtown Bluff to **Jacksonboro.**

(30) **Ashepoo River** flows into St. Helena Sound from northward on the west side of **Otter Islands.** A bridge over the river, 13 miles above the mouth, has a clearance of 20 feet. The piers of a former swing bridge are used as fishing piers. Mariners navigate with caution because depths vary greatly in the river.

(31) **Coosaw River** is important as a link in the Intracoastal Waterway. The river channel is irregular in depth, partly because of the phosphate dredges which operated here.

Corrected through NM Feb. 02/08 Corrected through LNM Jan. 29/08

HEIGHTS

Heights in feet above Mean High Water.

CAUTION

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners.

NOTE A

Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S. Coast Pilot 4. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are published in the Notices to Mariners. Information concerning the Notices to Mariners: Information concerning integulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commander, 7th Coast Guard District in Miami, Fla., or at the Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in Charleston, S.C. Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

The controlling depth in Folly River Channel was 5 feet for a width of 50 feet and shoals to 3 feet at 32°37′52.3″N 79°59'31.3″W and at 32°39'02.7″N

For Symbols and Abbreviations see Chart No. 1

CAUTION

SUBMARINE PIPELINES AND CABLES

Charted submarine pipelines and submarine bles and submarine pipeline and cable areas

Cable Area

Additional uncharted submarine pipelines and Additional uncharted submarine pipelines and submarine cables may exist within the area of this chart. Not all submarine pipelines and submarine cables are required to be buried, and those that were originally buried may have become exposed. Mariners should use extreme caution when operating vessels in depths of water comparable to their draff in areas where pipelines and cables may exist, and when anchoring, draggling, or trawling.

Covered wells may be marked by lighted or unlighted buyos.

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CAUTION

Improved channels shown by broken lines are subject to shoaling, particularly at the edges.

CAUTION

BASCULE BRIDGE CLEARANCES

For bascule bridges, whose spans do not open to a full upright or vertical position, unlimited vertical clearance is not available for the entire charted horizontal clearance.

WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

Regulations for Ocean Dumping Sites are contained in 40 CFR. Parts 220-229. Additional information concerning the regulations and requirements for use of the sites may be obtained from the Environmental Protection Agency (EA). See U.S. Coast Pilots appendix for addresses of EPA offices. Dumping subsequent to the survey dates may have reduced the depths shown.

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(World Geodetic System 1984) SOUNDINGS IN FEET AT MEAN LOWER LOW WATER

CAUTION

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Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marrine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light Lists and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 117. Radio direction-finder bearings to commercial broadcasting stations are subject to error and should be used with caution. Station positions are shown thus:

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AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

RADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been with the form this about a post of the place of the omitted from this chart.

CAUTION

Mariners are warned to stay clear of the protective riprap surrounding navigational light structures shown thus:

Table of Selected Chart Notes

INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY Use chart No. 11518. Neither the channel

markers nor the available depths are show on this chart.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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NOTE B

DANGER AREA

Area is open to unrestricted surface navigation but all vessels are cautioned neither to anchor dredge, trawl, lay cables, bottom, nor conduct any other similar type of operation because of residual danger from mines on the

Anchorage in the designated area is at your own risk

HORIZONTAL DATUM

The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System of 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 do not require conversion by MD 84 exploiting as this phory the properties of conversion to NAD 83 for plotting on this chart.

HUBBICANES AND TROPICAL STORMS

Hurricanes, tropical storms and other major storms may cause considerable damage to marine structures, aids to navigation and moored vessels, resulting in submerged debris in unknown locations.

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Charted soundings, channel depths and shoreline may not reflect actual conditions following these storms. Fixed aids to navigation may have been damaged or destroyed. Buoys may have been moved from their charted positions, damaged, such, extinguished or otherwise made inoperative. Mariners should not rely upon the position or operation of an aid to navigation. Wrecks and submerged obstructions may have been displaced from charted locations. Pipelines may have become uncovered or moved.

Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution and are requested to report aids to navigation discrepancies and hazards to navigation to the nearest United States Coast Guard

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GENERAL EXPLANATION

STATION TYPE DESIGNATORS: (Not individual station letter designators)

M.....Master
W....Secondary

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EXAMPLE: 7980-W

RATES ON THIS CHART

Loran-C correction tables published by the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency or others should not be used with this chart. The lines of position shown have been adjusted based on survey data. Every effort has been made to meet the ½ nautical mile accuracy criteria established by the U.S. Coast Guard. Mariners are cautioned not to rely solely on the lattices in inshore waters.

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AUTHORITIES

Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey, with additional data from the U.S. Coast Guard, Geological Survey, and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency.

POLLUTION REPORTS

Report all spills of oil and hazardous substances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR

SOURCE DIAGRAM

The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, <u>United States Coast Pilot.</u>

COLREGS: International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972. Demarcation lines are shown thus:

This nautical chart has been designed to promote safe navigation. The National Ocean Service encourages users to submit corrections, additions, or comments for improving this chart to the Chief, Marine Chart Division (N/CS2), National Ocean Service, NOAA, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3282.

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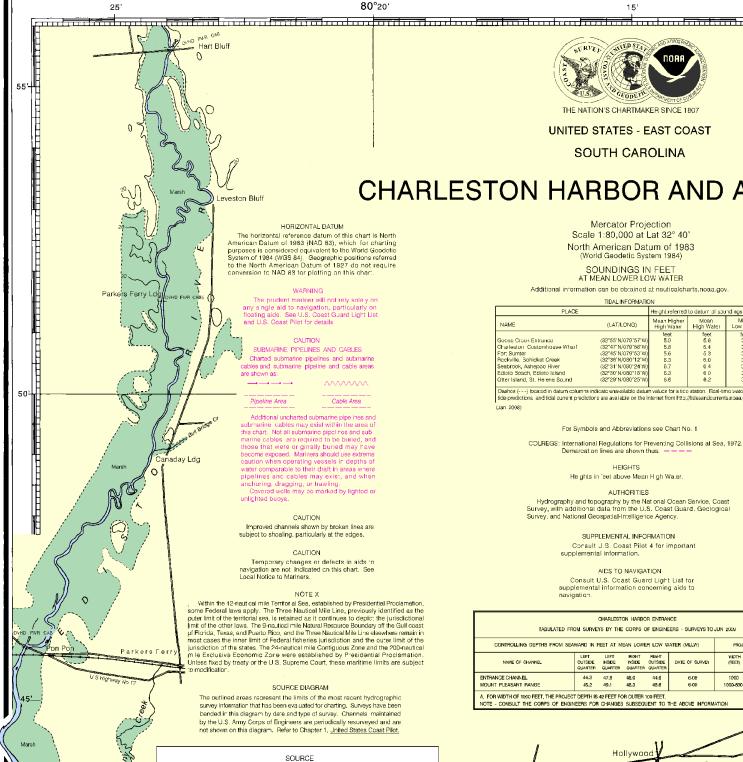
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NAME	(LAT/LONG)	Mean Higher High Water	Mean High Water	Mean Low Water	
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Goose Creek Entrance	(32°55'N/079°57'W)		5.6	0.2	
Charleston, Customhouse Wharf	(32°47'N/079°56'W)	5.8	5.4	0.2	
Fort Sumter	(32°45'N/079°53'W)	5.6	5.3	0.2	
Rockville, Bohicket Creek	(32°36'N/080°12'W)	6.3	6.0	0.2	
Seabrook, Ashepoo River	(32°31'N/080°24'W)	6.7	6.4	0.2	
Edisto Beach, Edisto Island	(32°30'N/080°18'W)	6.3	6.0	0.2	
Otter Island, St. Helena Sound	(32°29'N/080°25'W)	6.6	6.2	0.2	

CHARLESTON HARBOR ENTRANCE TABULATED FROM SURVEYS BY THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS - SURVEYS TO JUN 2009									
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SOUNDINGS IN FEET





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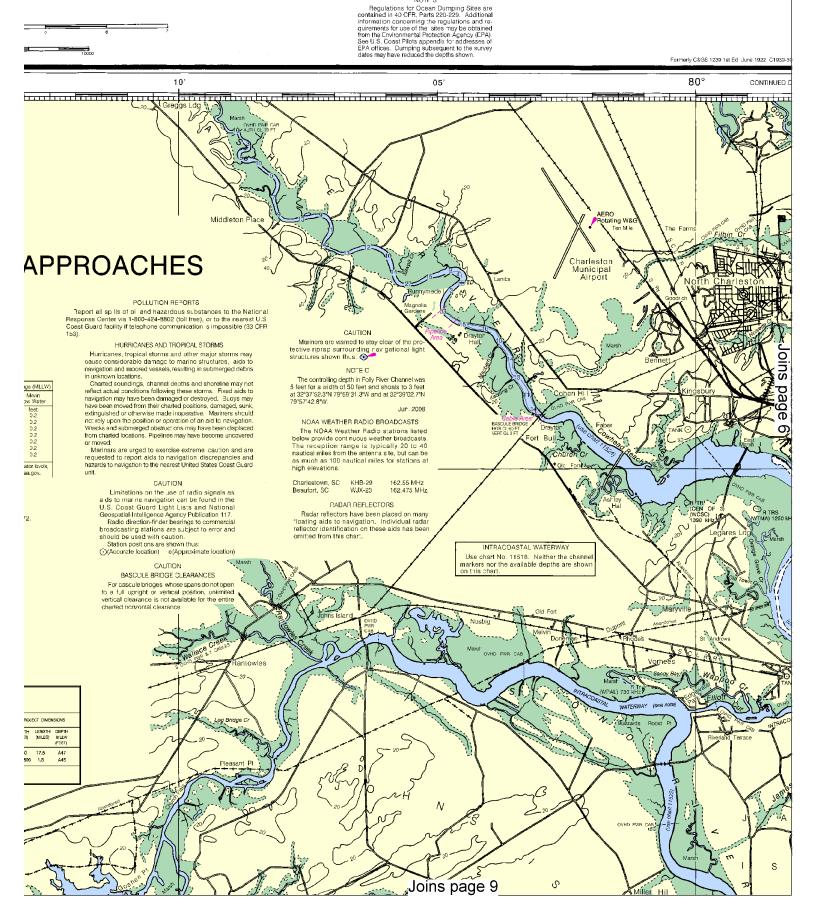
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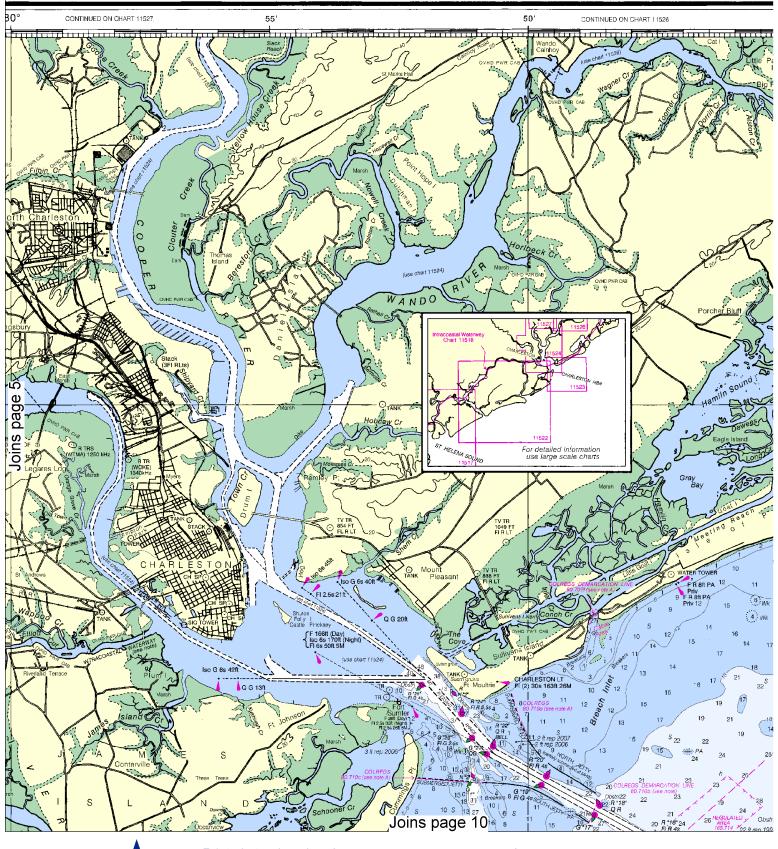
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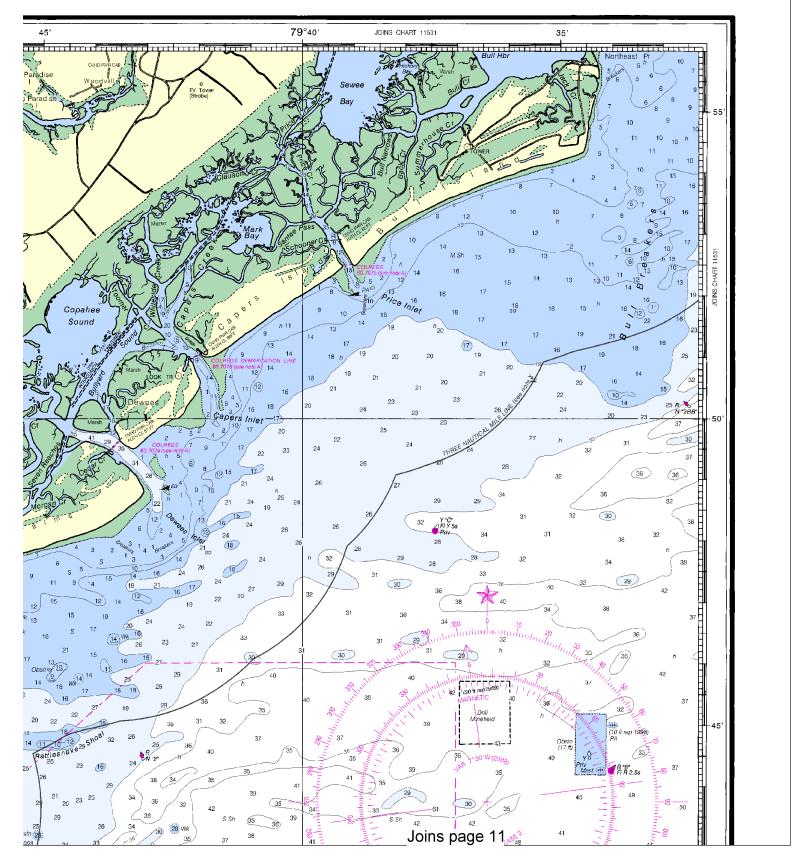
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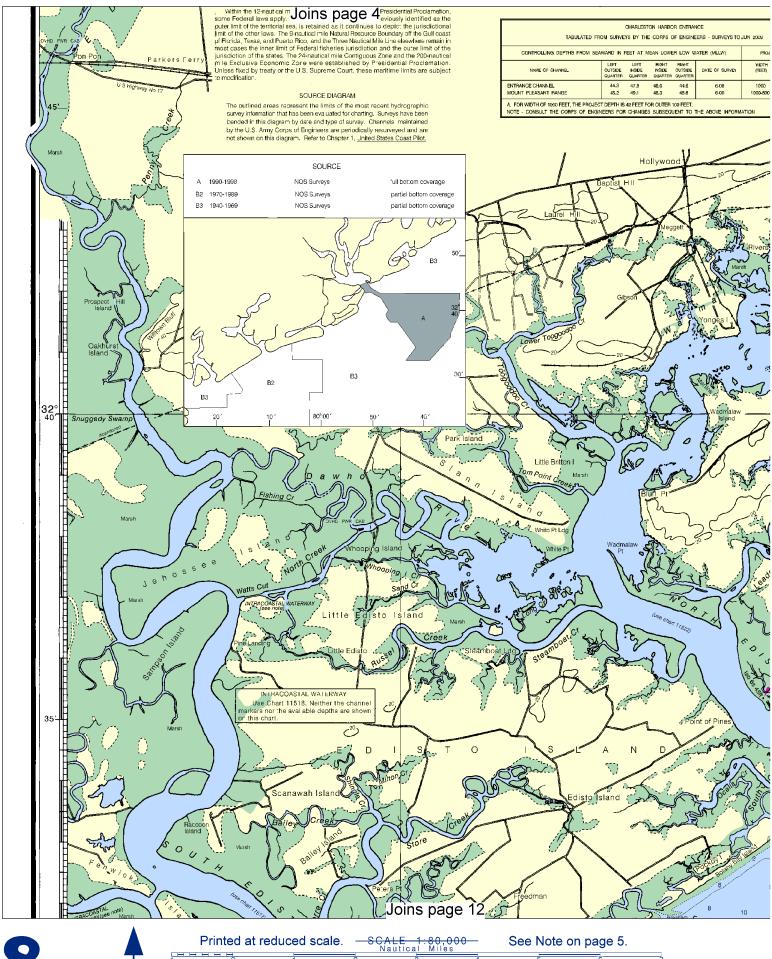




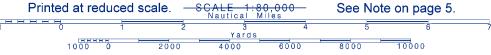


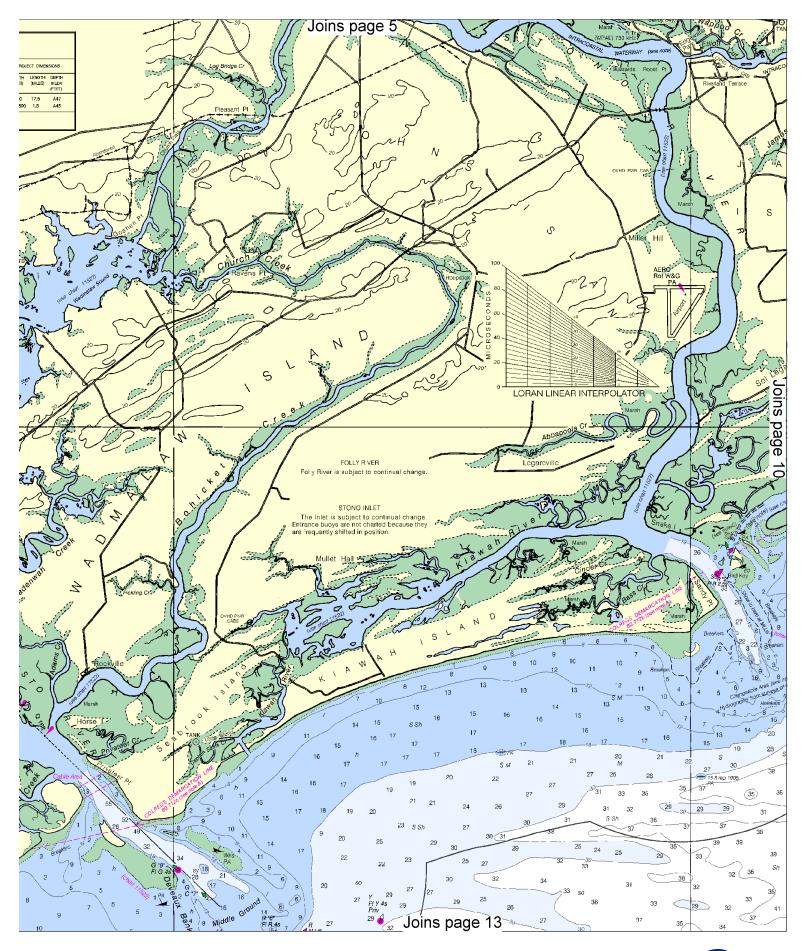


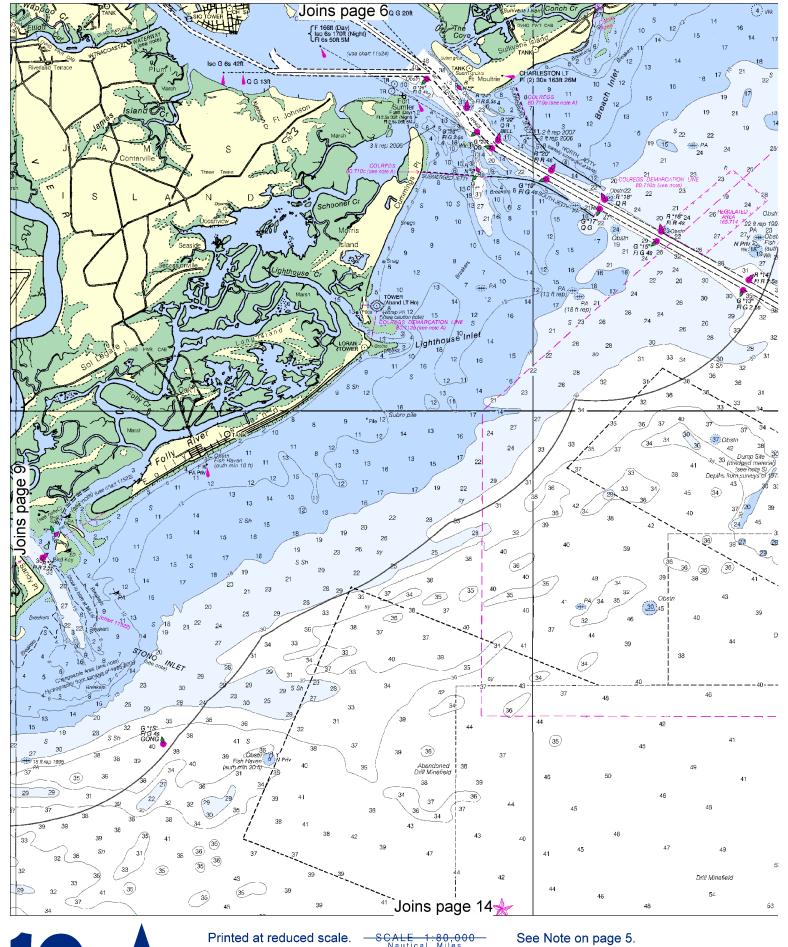
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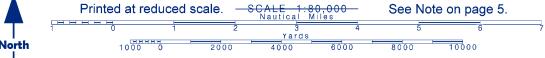


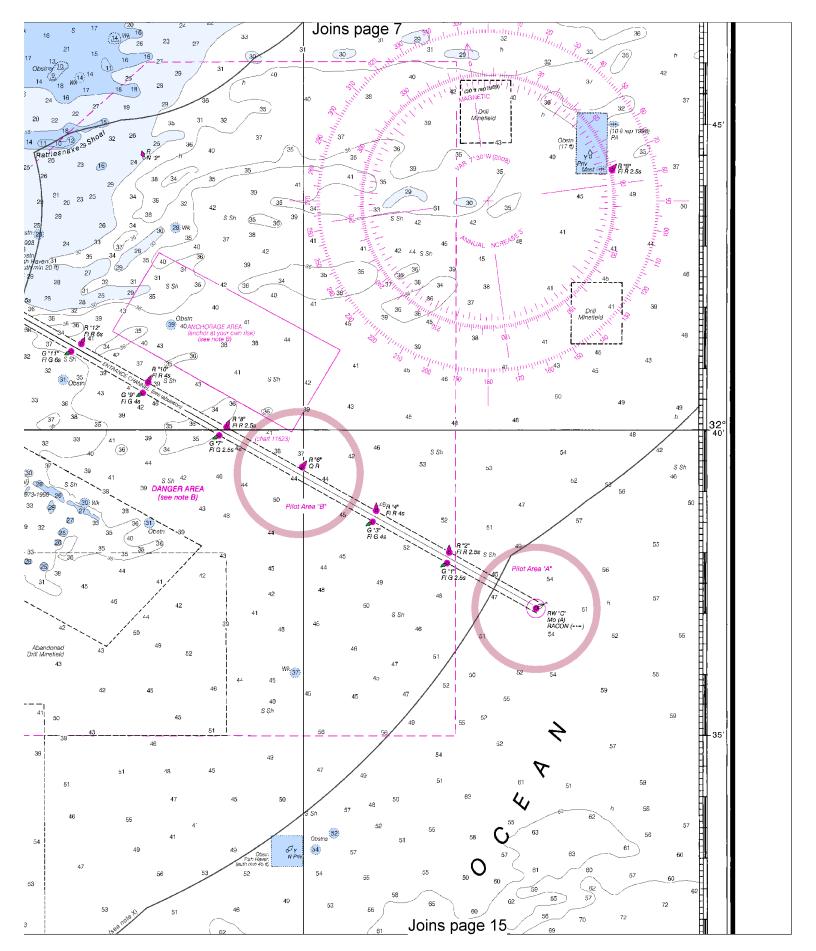


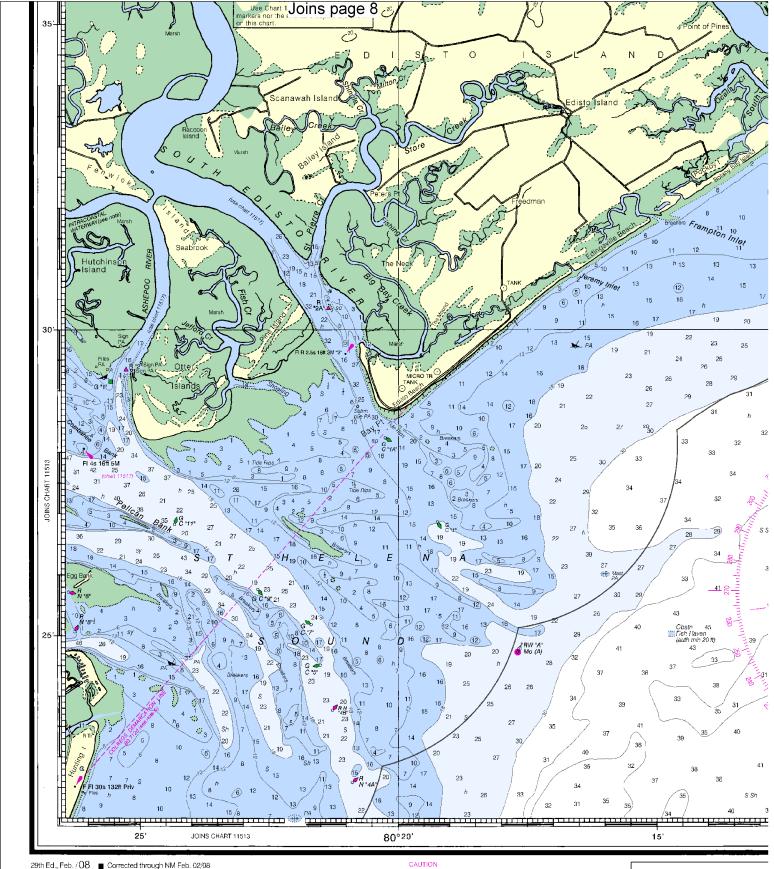












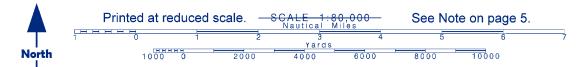
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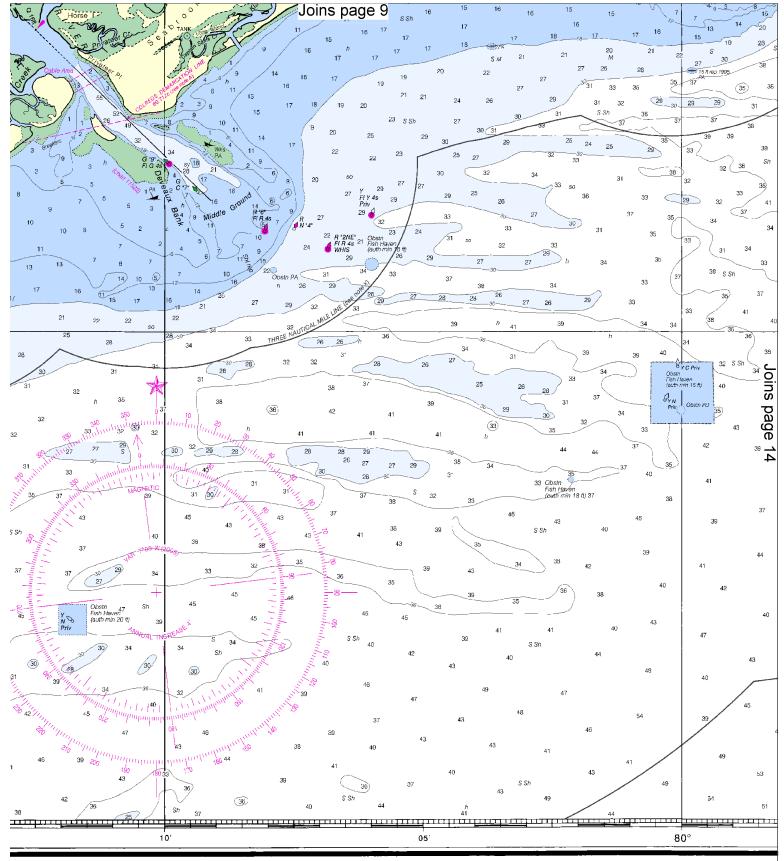
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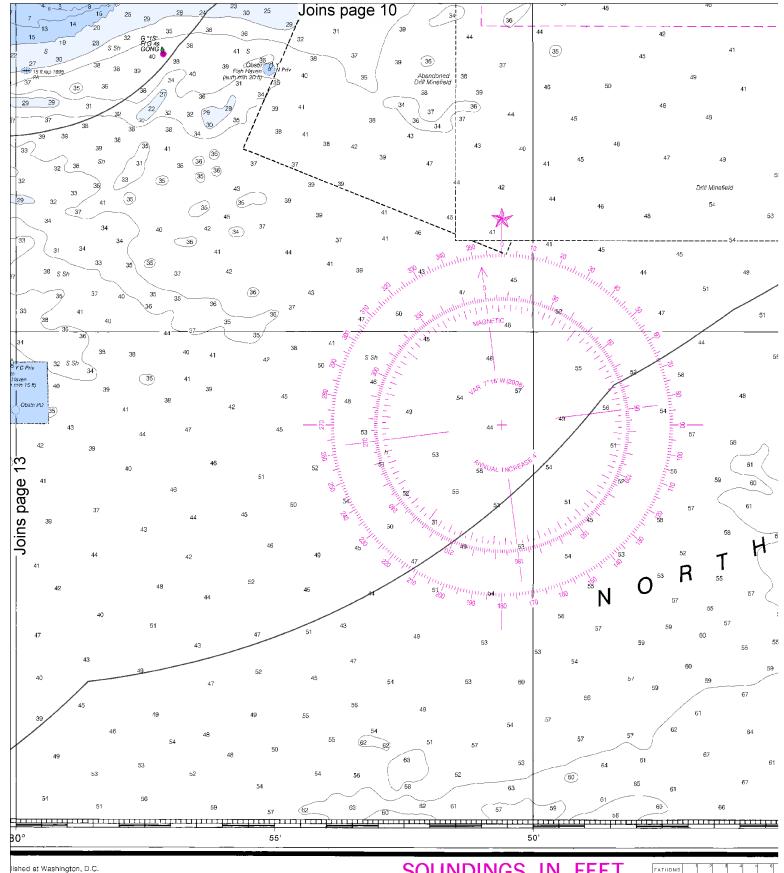


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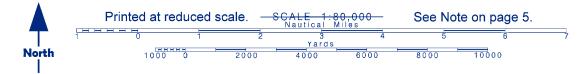
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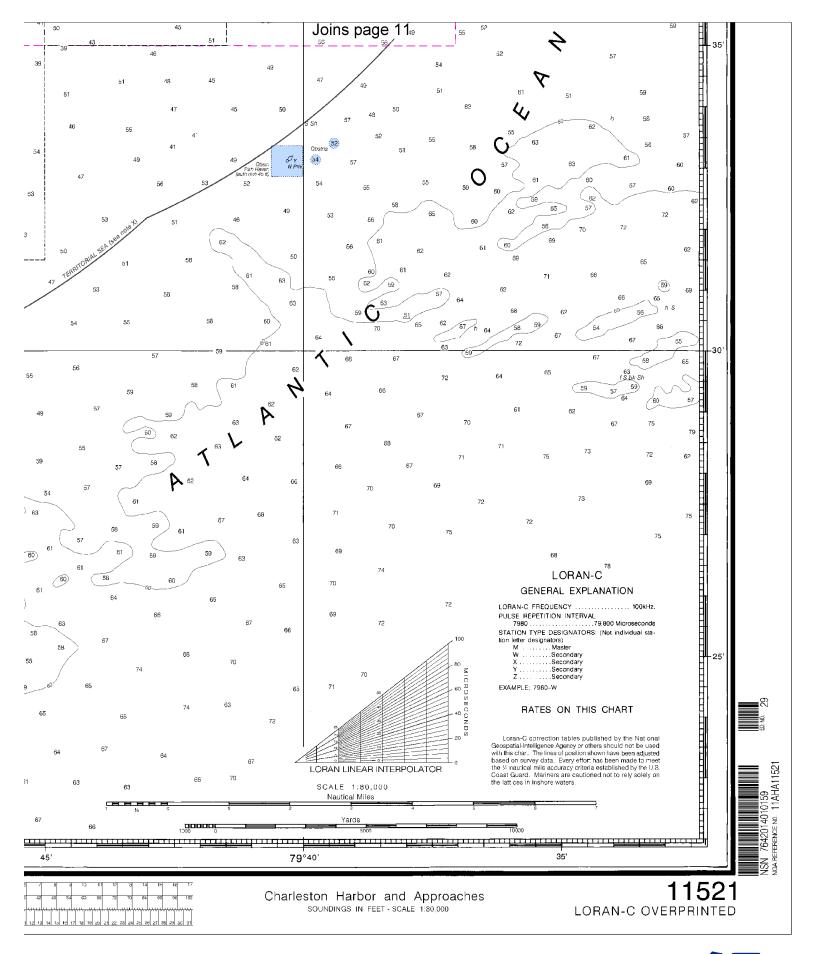


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EMERGENCY INFORMATION

VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.

Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls

to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.

Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 & 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Distress Call Procedures

- 1. Make sure radio is on.
- 2. Select Channel 16.
- 3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
- 4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- 6. Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS !!

Mobile Phones – Call 911 for water rescue.

Coast Guard Charleston – 843-724-7616 Coast Guard Atlantic Area Cmd – 757-398-6390 SC Dept. of Natural Resources – 800-922-5431

<u>NOAA Weather Radio</u> – 162.400 MHz, 162.425 MHz, 162.450 MHz, 162.475 MHz, 162.500 MHz, 162.525 MHz, 162.550 MHz.

Getting and Giving Help – Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.



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